

FINANCIAL SECRETARIAT.

Economies in the Budget Grants of 1931-32.

READ—

G. O. No. FL 1795-1850—G. F. 54-31-1, dated 14th September 1931, issuing certain instructions for effecting economies in the grants of 1931-32.

2. Letter No. Es. 470, dated 29th September 1931, from the Comptroller suggesting modifications in certain clauses of the order in regard to their applicability to the Accounts Department.

3. U. O. Note No. D. 493, dated 15th October 1931, from the Public Works Secretary, requesting permission to the grant of increments to officers and staff of the Public Works Department, holding temporary appointments on progressive rates of pay.

ORDER No. FL 3742-91—G. F. 54-31-22, DATED 2ND DECEMBER 1931.

Government consider that some relaxation of the instructions conveyed in the Government Order of 14th September 1931 read above, regarding appointments, earning of increments and grant of leave is necessary and direct that Clauses (1) to (5) of the said order be modified as follows:—

(1) In the absence of general sanction accorded in favour of any particular department or in respect of any class of appointments, no vacancies (whether in superior or inferior service)—permanent or temporary—will, as a rule, be filled up during the present financial year and the work of vacant appointments will be entrusted to other officers with no additional emoluments.

(2) (a) In cases where vacancies have necessarily to be filled up, the sanction of Government should be applied for. The appointments, if sanctioned by Government, will be made in conformity with the rules of recruitment and be treated as *officiating*, unless permanent arrangements are considered necessary by Government.

(b) When vacancies are for short periods not exceeding two months, and when the sanction of Government cannot be applied for and obtained in time, Heads of Departments will have discretion to fill them up on a temporary basis and report the same to Government immediately. This discretion should be exercised in the case of non-gazetted ranks only and where any other action is likely to be prejudicial to public interests.

(c) In cases where vacancies are filled up by promotion, *senatim* arrangements on an *officiating* basis will also be permitted.

(3) In the case of appointments on progressive rates of pay, the salary of the *officiating* officers—whether new entrants or officers promoted—will be limited to the minimum pay of such appointments and periodical increments will not be allowed until further orders.

(4) The restriction imposed by the Government Order dated 14th September 1931, in regard to the earning of increments is withdrawn in the case of officers holding temporary (*i.e.*, *quasi-permanent*), provisionally permanent or *sub pro tem* appointments. The temporary appointments referred to are those which are sanctioned or continued for not less than three years.

(5) No leave will be granted in excess of two months in the aggregate, if it involves extra cost, except on grounds of ill-health supported by medical certificate or for other urgent and unavoidable cause.

(6) These rules will have retrospective effect from 14th September 1931 and will be in force till the 30th June 1932.

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